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ROBOT CONTROL APPARATUS AND ROBOT SYSTEM

RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES

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Sir:

This responds to the Election of Species Requirement, dated September 13, 2006. The Examiner has identified the application as containing claims directed to more than one distinct species. The Examiner has required the Applicants to elect a single disclosed species for prosecution on the merits to which the claims shall be restricted. The Examiner believes there are no generic claims. Applicants have been advised that a response to this requirement shall include an identification of the species that is elected and a listing of all claims readable thereon.

In response to the Examiner's requirement, Applicants elect Species I, Figures 1 and 2 for examination on which claim 1 is readable.

Applicants submit that if any of the elected claims are found to be allowable, claims dependent therefrom should similarly be considered allowable in the same application.

Applicants reserve the right to file a Divisional Application directed to non-elected claims.



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